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In re Application of:

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Group Art Unit 1772

Serial No. 09/606,219

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For: **A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A SHAPE BODY CONTAINING A STARCH, A HOMOGENISED MASS CONTAINING STARCH AND A DEVICE3 FOR MANUFACTURING A SOFT CAPSULE**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 9, 2002. The three-month shortened statutory period was set to expire on August 9, 2002. A petition for a one-month extension of time was filed on August 7, 2002; thus a petition for an additional two-months extension of time is being submitted herewith along with a check therefor, extending the deadline for responding to November 9, 2002. Accordingly, this response should be considered timely filed.

In response to the Office Action, please amend the above patent application as follow:

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